

**Draft
Virginia Board of Psychology
Board Meeting
Minutes
August 10, 2010**

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m., August 10, 2010, in Board Room 1 of the Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia

PRESIDING: Desideria Hacker, Ph.D., Chair

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeffrey L. Clark, Ph.D.
Robert Falk, Ph.D.
Jan Hembree, Ph.D.
Herbert L. Stewart, Ph.D.
Michael L. Stutts, Ph.D.
Krishna Leyva
Sonya Price, Esq.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ann Tolbert Benson, Ed.S.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Dianne Reynolds-Cane, Director, DHP
Arne Owens, Chief Deputy Director, DHP
Evelyn Brown, Executive Director
Howard Casway, Sr. Assistant Attorney General
Elaine Yeatts, DHP Senior Policy Analyst
Patricia Larimer, Deputy Executive Director
Debbie Harris, Operations & Compliance Manager

ORDERING OF AGENDA: Dr. Hacker welcomed new board member, Jan Hembree.
Ms. Brown added an item to the Agenda under New Business.

PUBLIC COMMENT: **Jennifer Morgan, Psy.D., Regulatory Affairs Chair, VPA/VACP:**

Dr. Morgan announced that VPA's Conversation Hour with the Board of Psychology would not be held at the Fall Conference but will likely be included during the Spring Conference.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Dr. Stutts moved to approve the February 16, 2010 Board Meeting minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Dr. Clark and carried.

**DIRECTOR'S
REPORT:**

Dianne Reynolds-Cane. Director, DHP

Dr. Reynolds-Cane welcomed Jan Hembree to the Board and updated the Board on matters of interest relating to the Department of Health Professions such as the study of physicians signing death certificates. Also, Dr. Cane spoke about the assistance that DHP provided to physicians licensed in other states to be credentialed to provide services at the International Boy Scout Jamboree in early August.

Arne Owens, Chief Deputy Director, greeted members and said how much he appreciated their service to the Department of Health Professions.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S
REPORT:**

Evelyn Brown:

Ms. Brown noted that because of a staff vacancy, Debbie Harris was assigned responsibility for Certified Rehabilitation Providers, Certified Substance Abuse Counselors for Board of Counseling in addition to supporting the Board of Psychology. The position of an administrative assistant has been advertised for the Board of Counseling.

Ms. Brown discussed the Virginia Wounded Warrior Program (VWWP) and noted Paul Galante, POW during the Vietnam War, now Commissioner of the Department of Veterans Services, has sent invitations to the members of the Boards of Psychology, Counseling and Social Work to attend presentations on Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) specific to combat veterans, scheduled in three regions of the state in September and October. By consensus, the Board supported including the VWWP presentation information on the Board of Psychology website.

REGULATORY REPORT:

Elaine Yeatts:

Ms. Yeatts discussed Executive Order # 14 which sets a timeline for the development and review of regulations proposed by state agencies.

Ms. Yeatts also reported that the Board's proposed regulations were at the Governor's office and she anticipates it could be Spring 2011 before they are final.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Board of Health Professions – Michael Stutts, Ph.D:

Dr. Stutts reported that the BHP was briefed by Dr. Neal Kauder about the next stage of research for the Sanction Reference Study which included surveying licensees who had been disciplined.

Dr. Stutts asked about the logistics of applying regulations to a resident with pre-doctoral experience and in a post-doctoral residency when the regulations changed. Ms. Brown answered that it has been the general policy to apply the new regulations, if they were less burdensome, for an individual still in the application stage when regulations changed. The Board agreed that all residents should be notified of changes in the regulations once they become effective.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION
REPORT:**

Patricia Larimer: Continuing Education Committee

Ms. Larimer reported a CE audit was conducted with 100% compliance.

OLD BUSINESS:

Evelyn Brown:

Ms. Brown reported that the customer service survey provided at the February meeting represented feedback of only five new licensees. The Board noted that the sample was too small to reflect accurate survey results.

NEW BUSINESS:

Evelyn Brown:

The Board accepted the 2011 meeting dates:
February 8, 2011
May 10, 2011
August 9, 2011
November 8, 2011

The Board agreed to invite Virginia psychology doctoral programs faculty representatives of the Virginia psychology programs to attend a meeting with the Board on November 9, 2010, to discuss proposed regulatory changes for supervision, and to include a question and answer session about the mission of the Board in regulating psychologists.

Dr. Stewart and Dr. Clark agreed to represent the Board of Psychology at a meeting of the Healthcare Workforce Data Center to develop a survey of the Boards of Counseling, Psychology and Social Work licensees, to gather data to be used for projecting future availability of mental health services in all areas of the state.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Desideria Hacker, Ph.D., Chair

Evelyn B. Brown, Executive Director